

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 900
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Orval E. Harrison on the celebration of his 90th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Orval Harrison will celebrate his 90th birthday on May 1, 2004, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the son of Charles Wesley and Mary Agatha McFarland Harrison, Mr. Harrison was born and raised in Sikeston, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Orval Harrison is now a highly respected member of the Brentwood community; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Mr. Harrison served with acumen and alacrity as the owner and operator of Harrison Farms in Parma, Missouri; though he raised corn, cotton, soybeans, milo, wheat, and horses, Orval Harrison was known far and wide for raising the finest beef stock in the area. His adept hand at raising cattle attracted buyers from all over the country and prompted the operators of Memphis stockyards to declare his to be the finest cattle to ever pass through their gates; and

WHEREAS, an avid hunter from childhood, Mr. Harrison spent countless hours raising and training his hunting dogs, and would prove their prowess on quail hunting excursions in southeast Missouri with friends; and

WHEREAS, in 1945, Orval Harrison was joined in marriage with Lena McKenzie, and the couple's blessed union produced one daughter, Hannah Jane Harrison; and

WHEREAS, as he approaches his tenth decade, Mr. Harrison is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Orval E. Harrison on the celebration of his 90th birthday and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.